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June 28, 2007

Mr. Matthew S. McCormick, Assistant Manager Richland Operations Office United States Department of Energy P.O. Box 550, MSIN: A7-50 Richland, Washington 99352

Re: Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order (HFFACO) Change Control Form for Milestone M-92-07-01

Dear Mr. McCormick:

The Department of Ecology approves the referenced HFFACO Change Control Form from the United States Department of Energy-Richland Operations Office. The signed HFFACO Change Control Form is enclosed.

If you have any questions, contact me at 509-372-7891.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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*Change Number	Federal Facility Agreement and Con	nsent Order	Date	
M-92-07-01	Change Control Form		6/12/2007	
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Originator Matt S. McCormick		<b>Phone</b> (509) 373-9971		
Class of Change	[X] II – Executive Manager	[ ] III – Proje	ect Manager	

## Change Title

Modification of <u>Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order</u> (Agreement) M-92-05, "Determine disposition path and establish interim agreement milestones for Hanford Site Cs/Sr capsules."

### Description/Justification of Change

This change package extends milestone TPA M92-05 from June 30, 2007 to June 30, 2017, for the disposition of Hanford cesium/strontium capsules. The recently issued performance assessment, "Hanford Cs-Sr Repository Disposal Performance Analysis Using the TSPA-FEIS Model (EDF-NSNF-072)," shows the viability of direct disposal of the capsules at the National High-Level Waste Repository. However, due to the schedule for the opening of the repository, DOE cannot make the necessary applications at this time to assure acceptance of the capsules. With the delays in the Hanford Waste Vitrification Facility, the critical path for making this decision is also delayed. If it turns out that the capsules do need to be vitrified, there will still be time for DOE to make the necessary changes to the WTP to do so. Therefore, RL is proposing this extension to reassess the continuing viability of direct disposal after final disposition requirements for the Repository can be determined.

This change package only extends the date for a final decision concerning the manner in which the capsules will be disposed of at the National High Level Waste Repository (i.e., via direct disposal, or after being vitrified). This change package does not alter the fact that the disposition pathway for capsules is disposal at the National High-Level Waste Repository.

#### Impact of Change

Delays the final decision for disposition of the capsules to 2017.

#### **Affected Documents**

The <u>Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order</u>, as amended and Hanford Site internal planning management, and budget documents (e.g., USDOE contractor Baseline Change Control documents; Multi-Year Work Plan; Sitewide Systems Engineering Control Documents; Project Management Plans, and, if appropriate, LDR Report).

Approvals  Ecology // Transport	6/27/07 Date	Approved	Disapproved
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Number	Milestone Description and Completion Criteria	<b>Due Date</b>
M-92-05	Inclusion of Hanford site Cs/Sr "Treatment and/or Repackaging Parameters" in DOE TWRS Phase II Request for Proposals (Treatment and/or Repackaging of all remaining Cs/Sr).	
	Determine disposition path and establish interim agreement milestones for Hanford Site Cs/Sr capsules.	
	DOE will assess the viability of <u>directly disposingal</u> of <u>the Hanford Cs/Sr</u> capsules at the National High-Level Waste Repository and provide a schedule leading to its disposition. <u>Based on this assessment</u> , ilf DOE concludes that direct disposal is a viable and preferred alternative to vitrification, DOE will submit to Ecology specific documentation justifying its conclusion, with a proposed milestone change request establishing enforceable Agreement milestones for dispositioning Hanford Cs/Sr capsules <u>by 2028</u> .	